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Plaintiffs,

ADOPTION

NOTICE OF

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-against-

80 LAFAYETTE ASSOCIATES, LLC, ALAN KASMAN DBA KASCO, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION. B.R. FRIES & ASSOCIATES, INC., BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY, BLACKMON-MOORING-STEAMATIC CATASTOPHE, INC. D/B/A BMS CAT. BLUE MILLENNIUM REALTY LLC, BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, INC., BROOKFIELD FINANCIAL PROPERTIES, LP, BROOKFIELD PARTNERS, LP, BROOKFIELD PROPERTIES CORPORATION, BROOKFIELD PROPERTIES HOLDINGS INC., CENTURY 21, INC., ENVIROTECH CLEAN AIR, INC., GPS ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, INC., GRUBB & ELLIS MANAGEMENT SERVICES, HILLMAN ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP, LLC., INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY, INC., JACK **RESNICK & SONS INC., KASCO RESTORATION** SERVICES CO., MAYORE ESTATES LC, MAYORE **ESTATES LC AND 80 LAFAYETTE ASSOCIATION** LLC AS TENANTS IN COMMON, MERRILL LYNCH & CO, INC., NOMURA HOLDING AMERICA, INC., NOMURA SECURITIES INTERNATIONAL, INC., RESNICK 75 PARK PLACE LLC, STONER AND COMPANY, INC., STRUCTURE TONE (UK), INC., STRUCTURE TONE GLOBAL SERVICES, INC., TOSCORP INC., TUCKER ANTHONY, INC., WESTON SOLUTIONS, INC., WFP TOWER A CO., WFP TOWER A CO. G.P. CORP., WFP TOWER A. CO., L.P., WFP

TOWER B CO. G.P. CORP., WFP TOWER B HOLDING CO., LP, AND WFP TOWER B. CO., L.P., ET AL.,

Defendants. -----X

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that defendant, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION as and for its responses to the allegations set forth in the Complaint by Adoption (Check-Off Complaint) related to the Master Complaint filed in the above-referenced action, hereby adopts ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's Answer to the Master Complaint dated August 8, 2007, which was filed in the matter of *In Re World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation*, 21 MC 102 (AKH).

To the extent that ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION's Answer to the Master Complaint does not comprehensively address any of the specific allegations within the Check-Off Complaint in the above-captioned matter, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION denies knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of such specific allegations.

WHEREFORE, ANN TAYLOR STORES CORPORATION demands judgment dismissing the above-captioned action as against it, together with its costs and disbursements.

Dated: New York, New York December 7, 2007

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